FY 21 Oklahoma Clean Diesel / DERA Grants

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has announced funding available in FY 2021 for the **Oklahoma Clean Diesel Grant Program (DERA)**. It is now open to all alternative fuel school bus replacements. Key points are outlined below:

FY 2021:	Oklahoma Clean Diesel (DERA) Program
Total Funding	\$734,342
Project Cap	None
Availability	All school districts within Oklahoma
Eligible Project Types	Replacement of old diesel-powered school buses with new diesel, gasoline, all-electric, propane (LPG), or natural gas (LNG or CNG) school buses
Application Timeline	Grant Solicitation released October 20, 2021 Applications due on or before December 10, 2021 (Applications received before November 26, 2021 will be screened for completeness.)
Project timeline	Projects must be complete by September 1, 2022
Engine Model Years Allowed	An Emission Model Year (EMY) of 2009 or older if being replaced with a bus that has an engine certified to meet EPA emission standards. An EMY of 2016 or older if being replaced with a zero emission vehicle or with a bus that has an engine certified to meet CARB low-NOx emission standards.
Vehicle Classes Allowed	Original vehicle must be GVWR Class 5-8

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FY 2021:	Oklahoma Clean Diesel (DERA) Program
Reimbursement	Up to 25% of the cost of a new replacement vehicle powered by a 2019 model year or newer engine certified to EPA emission standards. Highway engine emission standards are available at: https://www.epa.gov/emission-standards-reference-guide/epa-emission-standards-heavy-duty-highway-engines-and-vehicles . (Application Tip: Currently, all diesel school buses fall in the category for 25% reimbursement.) Up to 35% of the cost of a new replacement vehicle powered by a 2019 model year or newer engine certified to meet CARB's Optional Low-NOx Standards. For help identifying Low-NOx certified engines see https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2021-01/documents/420f21002.pdf . A list of certified vehicles is available at: https://www.arb.ca.gov/msprog/onroad/cert/cert.php . Up to 45% of the cost of a new 2019 model year or newer zero-emission (all-electric) replacement vehicle. Eligible cost can include the purchase and installation of one charging unit per vehicle, including the unit and charging cable, mount and/or pedestal.
Restrictions	Only school bus replacements are eligible under this program
Further Information	https://www.deq.ok.gov/air-quality-division/clean-diesel-dera/



